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# Certificate of Analysis

### Standard Reference Material 1233

### Valve Steel

(In Cooperation with the American Society for Testing & Materials)

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is in the form of a disk, approximately 35 mm (1 3/8 in) in diameter and 19 mm (3/4 in) thick, intended for use in calibrating optical emission and x-ray spectrometric methods of analysis. Material from the same lot is available in the form of chips as SRM 346a for use in checking chemical methods of analysis.

Constituent	Percent by Weight 1	Estimated Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>
Carbon	0.502	0.004
Manganese	9.16	.03
Phosphorus	0.031	.003
Sulfur	.002	.001
Silicon	.219	.009
Copper	.375	.005
Nickel	3.43	.02
Chromium	21.08	.06
Vanadium	0.096	.004
Molybdenum	.237	.003
Nitrogen	.415	.005

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The certified value listed for a constituent is the present best estimate of the "true" value based on the results of the cooperative program for certification.

The overall coordination of the technical measurements leading to certification was performed under the direction of J.I. Shultz, Research Associate, ASTM-NBS Research Associate Program.

The technical and support aspects involved in the preparation, certification, and issuance of this Standard Reference Material were coordinated through the Office of Standard Reference Materials by W.P. Reed.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The estimated uncertainty listed for a constituent is based on judgment and represents an evaluation of the combined effects of method imprecision, possible systematic errors among methods, and material variability. (No attempt was made to derive exact statistical measures of imprecision because several methods were involved in the determination of most constituents.)

#### PLANNING, PREPARATION, TESTING, ANALYSIS

The material for this SRM was provided by Armco Steel, Stainless Division, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Elements other than those certified are present in this material as indicated below. These are not certified, but are given as additional information on the composition.

Element	Percent by Weight
Aluminum	(0.001)
Boron	(<.001)
Cobalt	( .05)
Lead	(<.0001)
Niobium	( .01)
Tin	( .008)
Titanium	(<.001)
Tungsten	( .01)